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Subject: Request EPA action on Nyanza

Hello Lisa,

My name is Vijay Subramanian and a resident of the Town of Ashland.

I work with the team helping to build the trails in the town and the key section of trail goes through Trolley Brook connecting the landmarks in the town and is a key connector for the entire metrowest part of upper charles trail project. The trail is in the process being built and opened for the public use in the future. People still use the trolley brook path today.

As you know, Trolly Brook is part of the Nyanza site, one of the superfund sites in the country. I am concerned about the safety of the trail, especially considering the cap that was put in 30 years ago has reached its potential life and the gas resulting from the plumes have spread around, as per the recent studies and tests.

Once the trail is opened for use, it will be actively used by families with children, elders and others. If the site is not cleaned and cleared of any chemicals, it will pose a significant health risk to the town residents in that area and also for the people using the trail.

I request the EPA to look into the site on an expedited mode and start working on cleaning the site completely of chemicals. Also a continuous monitoring of the site for more years will help to ensure the safety of the residents.

Thank you for your consideration and action in this regard.

Best Regards
Vijay

